

Attachment 2: Eligible Applicant Documentation

County-Wide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring Program Local Groundwater Assistance Program Grant Application

This written statement answers the questions contained on page 18 of the LGA Grant Program PSP.

Is the applicant a local public agency as defined in CWC 10701(a)? Please explain.

Yes, Mojave Water Agency (MWA) is a Special District, and therefore Local Agency as defined in the Water Code.

What is the statutory or other legal authority under which the applicant was formed and is authorized to operate?

MWA was authorized by an act of the California State Legislature in 1959 (Chapter 97 of Appendices to the California Water Code ["MWA Law"]), and activated by voters in 1960. A copy of the MWA Law is enclosed (Att2_LGA12_Mojave_EligDoc_2of3.pdf).

Does the applicant have legal authority to enter into a grant agreement with the State of California?

Yes, the MWA has the legal authority to enter into a grant agreement with the State of California. MWA has previously entered into grant agreements with the State of California, to receive Proposition 50 and 84 funding. Furthermore, the MWA Law prescribes the powers and duties of the MWA; and Subsection (11) of Section 15 (b) of the MWA Law empowers MWA to "...do any and every act necessary so that sufficient water may be available for any present or future beneficial use or uses of the lands or inhabitants of the agency ..."

Describe any legal agreements among partner agencies and/or organizations that ensure performance of the project and tracking of funds.

MWA is applying individually to this grant, and if approved for funding will be the sole grantee under this application to enter into an agreement with DWR to receive funds. However, because this application is for grant funding to assist with San Bernardino County-wide compliance with CASGEM, several agencies have submitted letters of support acknowledging MWA's grant application and indicating they will assist MWA and its consultant by providing information and in-kind services as needed to complete the work outlined in the project Scope. The letters of support from the following agencies are attached (Att2_LGA12_Mojave_EligDoc_3of3.pdf):

- Chino Basin Watermaster
- County of San Bernardino
- San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District